



# **PSC NEWS**

## **Missouri Public Service Commission**

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### **PSC APPROVES SEWER MERGER**

Jefferson City (October 1, 2004)---The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved an agreement authorizing Missouri-American Water Company to purchase the sanitary sewer system assets of Cedar Hill Utility Company. The agreement was submitted by the PSC Staff, the Office of the Public Counsel, Missouri-American Water Company and Cedar Hill Utility Company.

The Commission's order states: "Based on its review of the unanimous stipulation and agreement and Staff's (PSC Staff) suggestions in support, the Commission finds that the stipulation and agreement filed on September 9 should be approved. Missouri-American Water Company will be granted a certificate of convenience and necessity to operate the sewer system that it acquires from Cedar Hill."

According to the agreement, Missouri-American Water Company will continue to bill Cedar Hill customers under rates that currently exist for Cedar Hill. That will remain the same until Missouri-American files and the Commission rules on its next general rate case.

Cedar Hill Utility Company currently provides sewer service to approximately 670 customers near House Springs in Jefferson County. The Missouri-American Water Company provides water service to approximately 445,000 customers and sewer service to about 100 customers in Missouri.

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